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Subject: QRP-L digest 3126

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- 30) [162443] New Altoids Tin
by "W. Keith Hibbert" <wkhibbert@frontiernet.net>
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by "Fred \ (VE3FAL\)" <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
- 33) [162446] Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
by "James R. Duffey" <JamesDuffey@comcast.net>
- 34) [162447] Re: [Elmer160] C compilers
by Steve.Lawrence@ITWFEG.COM
- 35) [162448] Fwd: Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
by Dave Fuller <rfgdma@spinn.net>
- 36) [162449] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>
- 37) [162450] FOX: K5DI Final Log
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
- 38) [162451] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by "Laurie Landry" <landr@nbnet.nb.ca>
- 39) [162452] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by "Armin Hachmer" <armin@muskoka.com>
- 40) [162453] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
by "KXBill" <KXB-1@cox.net>
- 41) [162454] Inductor coils and things
by "Tom Dufresne" <tdufres@hotmail.com>
- 42) [162455] Tentec, MFJ need new homes
by "Hudson, Steve (RBI-US RCD)" <sdhudson@reedbusiness.com>

- 43) [162456] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
- 44) [162457] Re: paddle choice
by "Brad Hedges" <bhedges@nc.rr.com>
- 45) [162458] MicroVert Group
by Rick McKee <kc8aon@juno.com>
- 46) [162459] Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
by George Fremin III <geoiiii@kkn.net>
- 47) [162460] SW20+
by Wayne Rogers <w5kdj@juno.com>
- 48) [162461] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
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- 49) [162462] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
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- 50) [162463] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
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- 51) [162464] Re: "ET phone home" ?
by <ah7i@atl.org>
- 52) [162465] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
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by "Jim Sheldon" <w0eb@cox.net>
- 54) [162467] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
- 55) [162468] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
by "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
- 56) [162469] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
- 57) [162470] Re: "Pride Goeth Before a Fall..."
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- 58) [162471] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
- 59) [162472] ScQRPion Paddle #10 works!
by Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
- 60) [162473] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
by "Jade's Technical Services" <kw3u@warwick.net>

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 16:43:23 -0800
From: Elda & Doug Wilson <ewilson@nccn.net>
To: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162414] paddle choice
Message-ID: <3FD1262B.9030800@nccn.net>
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Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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73, etc.

Doug, k 6 r p n
retired public nuisance

Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 19:20:53 -0600
From: "Stuart Rohre" <rohre@arlut.utexas.edu>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>,
"QRPP International Membership" <membership@QRPP-I.com>
Subject: [162415] New Question pools for exams
Message-ID: <034301c3bb97\$30dab040\$4e100a0a@rohredt2000>

>From a bulletin:

"The Question Pool Committee (QPC) of the National Conference of Volunteer Examiner Coordinators has released a revised and expanded Amateur Radio General class (Element 3) question pool into the public domain. The new question pool becomes effective July 1, 2004, and must be used to generate all General written examinations administered on or after that date.

"The pool has been expanded to 432 questions," said ARRL VEC Manager Bart Jahnke, W9JJ, a member of the Question Pool Committee, who notes that all subelements grew slightly. "The largest increase in questions this time around was in our Operating Procedures and Amateur Radio Practices subelements," he said. The General class question pool does not contain any diagrams or symbols.

The new Element 3 question pool is available on the ARRL Amateur Exam Question Pools Web page at <http://www.arrl.org/arrlvec/pools.html> in Adobe PDF and ASCII text format. It includes all questions and answers relating to Element 3.

The Question Pool Committee now is turning its attention to developing an outline for an updated Amateur Extra class (Element 4)

question pool, which will be revised over the next 24 months, Jahnke said. It will go into effect July 1, 2006. The deadline to submit input to the Amateur Extra question pool syllabus is May 1, 2004.

Commenters may address specific Element 3 questions as well as inputs to the Element 3 syllabus and question pool to the Question Pool Committee via e-mail at, qpc@arrl.org.

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432 questions seems to take serious study to pass the General exam. The Extra Class presently made up of old Advanced and Extra Class elements is over 600 questions, also a big bite of study time. I think both insure serious would be hams result. However, if you want your input to new Extra Class pools, here is your chance.

I am very pleased they have upgraded operation questions; which is a need, I felt, upon looking into Extra pool two years ago.

-Stuart

K5KVH

Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 20:56:59 -0500
From: "n3drk" <n3drk@triad.rr.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162416] rtty on 7040
Message-ID: <01b801c3bb9c\$404175f0\$6400a8c0@n3drk>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="Windows-1252"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There a rtty contest this evening? Tried to do some qrping and everyway I go there are rtty signals. Maybe we should consider of changing the qrp freq.
john

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 21:05:17 -0500
From: "Rich Dailey, N8UX" <okh.npi@gte.net>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162417] FS: Oak Hills WM-1 QRP Wattmeter
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.2.20031205210436.00bb3288@incoming.verizon.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

Comes with manual. Has a scratch on the rear from letting a coax slip out of my hand - my bad. Otherwise great condition. Will install a new battery and ship it Cont. U.S. for \$63. Prefer Paypal, but postal money order ok too.

<http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh/ohr1a.jpg>
<http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh/ohr2a.jpg>
<http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh/ohr3a.jpg>
<http://www.qsl.net/ka8okh/ohr4a.jpg>

Thanks for the bw,
Rich, N8UX

Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 19:29:04 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162418] Paddle spring
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312051923060.4692-100000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

I got to the step of putting in the spring step 12. With a pair of longnose pliers I picked up the spring and tried to get it in the place it should go. Then ZAP! The spring went airborne and now I need to order a new spring and wonder what the right way to put it in might be.

If I knew what I was looking for I know a good hardware store that might have something like what I lost.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 20:14:48 -0600
From: David Gauding <david.gauding@bbs.galilei.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162419] WTB: DSW-40 Kit (original model) Unbuilt
Message-ID: <5.1.1.6.0.20031205201220.00a0e350@bbs.galilei.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Still looking for an unbuilt DSW-40 kit (original model).

Many thanks,

de Dave, NF0R nf0r@slacc.com

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 21:50:24 -0500
From: Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net>
To: ewilson@nccn.net,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162420] Re: paddle choice
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.0.20031205214339.00a2c210@mail.qx.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
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>Doug, k 6 r p n

>retired public nuisance

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Doug, Just do a search for Morse Express run by N1FN. I ordered a Palm
Paddle a few days ago not that I need
one but they look really fine. A google search turns it right up.
73 Pete NV4V

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 21:59:56 -0500

From: Richard Lourette <lourette@frontiernet.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162421] Re: [Elmer160] C compilers
Message-ID: <5.2.1.1.0.20031205215752.00abe9d8@pop3.frontiernet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Does anyone use C++? There is a reasonably priced C++ compiler here
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Rich

Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 21:55:25 -0500
From: Peter Burbank <peterlee@qx.net>
To: rohre@arlut.utexas.edu,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162422] Re: New Question pools for exams
Message-ID: <5.2.0.9.0.20031205215149.00a1ec70@mail.qx.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

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Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 22:27:32 -0500
From: "David Porter" <aa3ur@comcast.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162423] spring making site
Message-ID: <NGBBICPOCLKMGIBGGBEAAEENECaa.aa3ur@comcast.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I found a site that tells how to make springs. Even the conical springs
like are on most straight keys. It is a really great site. And don't


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| Bob Schreibmaier K3PH | E-mail: k3ph@ptd.net |
| Kresgeville, PA 18333 | http://www.dxis.org  |
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Date: Fri, 05 Dec 2003 20:21:35 PST
From: James R Giammanco <n5ib@juno.com>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.edu
Subject: [162425] USS Kidd Special Event operation
Message-ID: <20031205.231225.8263.3.n5ib@juno.com>

W5KID, aboard the USS Kidd, DD-661, in Baton Rouge LA will operate Sunday December 7, from 1530 UTC to 2230 UTC commemorating Pearl Harbor Day.

Kidd was named for Rear Admiral Isaac Kidd, recipient of a posthumous Medal of Honor for his action aboard his flagship, USS Arizona, 62 years ago this Sunday.

Mostly SSB ops, mostly on 20, upwards from 14245. But if I have my druthers we'll spend a fair amount of time in a second station on CW near the QRP spots on 30 m and 20 m. Turns out that HW-9 I posted about yesterday is now fixed, and its present owner says the original owner was an ex Navy radio op, so he's going to give us the rig for the ship. So if you work us CW it might be my K2 #1233, or might be HW-9 #02-54564.

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Jim N5IB

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Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 23:22:31 -0500
From: "Rex Harper" <w1rex@megalink.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162426] OLD kit announcement.....TT2
Message-ID: <007501c3bbb0\$91f38640\$a43ca43f@stickfarmers>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Fellow QRP-afflicted gangue,

Now that we have all suffered thru the prolonged waiting for the NEW kit announcement from those crazy scorpions, and settled in with our position in the serial #/distribution que (mine is #45), its time for me to announce that QRPme will be distributing that old time favorite.....The Tuna Tin 2 kit. When Jay and the Ft. Smith group decided to drop the TT2 kitting effort, I asked the retro-thinker who designed the current version of the DeMaw classic, Doug Hendricks if I could continue kitting this kit with all the proceeds going towards the Lobstercon 2004! weekend. He graciously allowed me to continue the kit and we now have them for sale. I know that there must be a million of these kits already out there; but, this little transmitter is a standard. So if you don't already have one, or are in need of a great stocking stuffer for that certain someone, here is just the ticket.

The Tuna Tin 2 kit is \$15.00 with \$3.00 postage to US & Canada (others please Email)

in stock! make checks & M.O.s out to Rex Harper or Paypal
w1rex@megalink.net

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W1REX Rex Harper "The Tinman"

Rex Harper W1REX
QRPme
P.O. Box 160
Limerick, Maine 04048

Date: Fri, 5 Dec 2003 23:26:07 -0600
From: "George, W5YR" <w5yr@att.net>
To: "kk5na" <kk5na@kk5na.com>, "NETXQRP" <netxqrp@mailman.qth.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162427] Balun Ferrite Bead Information
Message-ID: <02a801c3bbb9\$7777f540\$0401a8c0@PS>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
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Some of you may be familiar with the W5YR bead balun design that uses five ferrite beads on a length of RG-8X or RG-58 to form a 1:1 current or choke balun. These baluns have proved to be effective on 80 - 10 meters and with the addition of a sixth bead, 160 meter operation is improved at some cost

of 10 meter performance.

I obtained all the beads for these baluns which I have sold, given away, etc. from Jim Tanner's store but he no longer carries them. However, I did find the Fair-Rite number for the beads and using that traced down a source and technical information.

The Fair-Rite part number is 2643540002, and if you go the Mouser website and online catalog you will find them for the sum of \$0.56 each in small quantities. Jim was selling them for \$0.50 each in sets of four. The Fair-Rite website contains technical papers on the application of the beads for RFI/EMI control.

For those unfamiliar with these beads, they are 1.125" long by 0.562" in diameter with an axial hole 0.25" in diameter. They are made of Type 43 material and although Type 73 is usually recommended for HF applications, these seem to work quite well. I have compared them directly with the W2DU balun which uses 50 small beads on a length of coax, and the performance is identical on 80 - 10 meters.

I hope this information is useful to those who are looking for a simple but highly effective 1:1 current balun. I use three of them to transition from ladderlines to coaxes to tuners on 80 through 10 meters. They are real Fox Gitters!

73, George W5YR

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 17:13:04 +0900
From: "JUNICHI NAKAJIMA" <jl1kra@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162428] Re: [Elecraft] Elecraft XG1 Receiver Test Oscillator/S-Meter Calibrator
Message-ID: <BAY8-F114JbqJGNzscE00001adf@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Hi,

I recently built the N-Gen noise generator. This is an excellent product ! The \$39 unit totally replaced \$2000 over HP noise source in radioastronomy site.

Prepare a small injection probe, then it will cure receivers in trouble. Please note this is below 500MHz (possibly 1000MHz OK) . HP noise source is calibrated upto 10GHz. But usually we do not need this.

JL1KRA/AA3ZT Junichi Nakajima

Tired of spam? Get advanced junk mail protection with MSN 8.
<http://join.msn.com/?page=features/junkmail>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 05:18:41 -0500
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162429] Re: New Question pools for exams
Message-ID: <200312060518.41694.w9ya@arrl.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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Me too.

Perhaps we can get together a petition and see if it can be left in ?

Anonymous (...well kinda anonymous)

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 05:20:00 -0500
From: w9ya <w9ya@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162430] Re: [Elmer160] C compilers
Message-ID: <200312060520.00035.w9ya@arrl.net>
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 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit
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On Friday 05 December 2003 09:59 pm, Richard Lourette wrote:

> Does anyone use C++? There is a reasonably priced C++ compiler here

> <http://www.picant.com/c2cpp/cpp.html>

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> Rich

gcc is free and is an amazingly good c++ compiler from what I can see.

Bob

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 07:31:31 -0500

From: Kenneth Cooperstein <cprstn54@att.net>

To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU

Subject: [162431] Solving the wall wart dilemma

Message-ID: <3FD1CC23.4040800@att.net>

MIME-version: 1.0

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I have seen an inexpensive product consisting of six (I think) very short (under 1 ft.) extension cords that let you put a wall wart on every outlet of a convenience strip. It was far less expensive than DIY.

Only thing is, I can't remember what catalog I saw it in. Anyone know?

Ken KC2JDY

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 08:14:59 -0500

From: <bill@n4qa.com>

To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [162432] Re: rtty on 7040

Message-ID: <000801c3bbfa\$f4bf4620\$9f25ad80@f1n5n8>

MIME-Version: 1.0

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John and the gang,

For those interested in getting their feet wet in RTTY operations, the TARA RTTY Melee is a great way to make some quick RTTY contacts.

For details, see:

http://www.n2ty.org/seasons/tara_melee_rules.html

Just for fun, I made one stateside RTTY contact on 14084 KHz in this contest last evening using the DSWMULTI project.

Copied SEVERAL Japanese RTTY stations on 20 but didn't work any.

Haven't tried 40...yet :)

For info on the DSWMULTI project, please see:

<http://www.n4qa.com/dswmulti/dswmulti.html>

73.

Bill, N4QA

<http://www.n4qa.com>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 06:17:56 -0700 (MST)

From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>

To: Richard Lourette <lourette@frontiernet.net>

Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

Subject: [162433] Re: [Elmer160] C compilers

Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312060604070.4696-100000@bucket.dog>

MIME-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

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I use C++ and it's important to get a compiler that is correct to the 1998 revisal of the code. This change is subtle. But it is also important for your code to be portable to other users.

In Linux the new code was applied to Red Hat 9.

> <http://www.picant.com/c2cpp/cpp.html>

>

I went to the above web page and looked at the example and what these guys are selling is a very narrow compiler that has been developed to work with small computers.

This may be what you want but I would not be able to use it. Also it can be used with plain C code as well. So you can write in C and get around the new C++ changes.

> Rich

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 08:20:42 -0500
From: "Alan Fryer" <N3BJ@hotmail.com>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162434] WTB: 6M AM Rig
Message-ID: <Law9-0E18b5YI9IJsaJ0000443a@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Anyone on the list have a surplus 6M AM rig ? I'm trying to spur some activity here and need a couple of more rigs.
Clegg 66er, Gonset G-50, Polycomm, or ??

Please let me know if you have one that is unused. Would consider a non-working unit.

Alan, N3BJ
Bent Mountain, VA

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 07:26:59 -0600
From: "Frank Emens" <femens@hiwaay.net>
To: cprstn54@att.net
Cc: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162435] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
Message-ID: <3FD184C3.6290.ECAD9@localhost>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset=US-ASCII
Content-transfer-encoding: 7BIT
Content-description: Mail message body

Check Jameco's catalog. They have short 12" extensions and they also have double

extensions that will allow connecting 2 wall-warts to one position on an outlet strip.

Real lifesavers these days when almost everything has its own wall-wart.

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Frank Emens
femens@hiwaay.net
Huntsville, Alabama

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 08:52:50 -0500
From: "Ken La Rose" <kenlar@csolve.net>
To: <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>, "QRP-Canada" <qrp-canada@neale.gpfn.sk.ca>
Cc: "John Evelyn" <jevelyn@sympatico.ca>,
"Jim Wilson" <ve3kqn@yahoo.ca>,
Subject: [162436] Sunday Morning SSB/CW QRP Net
Message-ID: <001901c3bc00\$3d74c2f0\$b59fc018@D1YQV721>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi!

Last week the net was conducted from our portable location in the Haliburton Highlands, where we operated three QRP stations in the DX contest.
Participants were:

VE3RLX Ric in Brantford
VE3OSC John VA3JE op at Ontario Science Centre, Toronto
VE3QF Tony in Scarborough
VE3JC John in London
VE3TKF Terry in Gravenhurst
VE3ELA Ken NCS

Thanks also to all the guys who took a listen for us, hopefully propagation will allow us to connect this week.

Listen tomorrow on 7.067 MHz at 9:30 am (1430Z). I'll be operating LSB, but welcome CW stations to check in from anywhere!

Thanks, 73 de Ken VE3ELA

P.S.

So, how'd we do in the contest, you ask? Here is a rundown from Jim VE3KQN, our leader and host for the weekend:

Last weekend (Nov. 29/30) Ken (ELA), Garry (REP) and myself (KQN) went up to the Haliburtons to operate the CQWDXCW contest. We left Ajax in rain on the Friday morning and by the time we got to Minden it was snowing. It snowed for the rest of the weekend until we had to take down the stations and it was then raining. Overall we had abt 4 inches of wet snow. We had 3 stations set up:

Argosy 509 (5W) and multiband fan dipoles
Elecraft K1/K2 (5W) and a Windom
Wilderness radio Sierra (1 to 3W) and a Windom

We worked the contest, sat and talked, went for a walk, ate, ate, ate and then more radio. Our results on the 5 bands were:

Total different Entities (all bands) - 65
Total number of Contacts (all bands) - 487

	10m	15m	20m	40m	80m	160m
Canada	0	2	0	1	1	2
USA / N/A	20	11	37	31	89	28
DX	105	79	40	39	2	0
Entities	35	37	31	20	4	2
Zones	17	14	12	9	5	2

Claimed Score (until CQ whittles it down) 190068

Lots of fun...72 (Jim)

P.P.S. It was great to see Armin VE3TEQ, who drove through the snow to visit and bring us doughnuts. Thanks, buddy!

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 09:12:28 -0500
From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162437] "Pride Goeth Before a Fall..."
Message-ID: <3FD1E3CC.9070903@pobox.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Ah, yes. After my bragging post yesterday, I find this morning that one

side of my FW Loop is down. It weathered Hurricane Isabelle, and several Northeasters, and all last winter's storms, but the heavy wet snow yesterday got it! Probably struck down because of my prideful post.

It is snowing hard now, and 26 degrees. Flying in the face of tradition, I am NOT going out to work on it! This was the antenna I fell off the garage roof 2 years ago putting up. Don't need that again.

Will wait for a 50+ degree day. ;-)

Can hardly wait for my paddle (#66) to arrive so I can also lose the spring and tell you all about it. What fun!

John W2AGN

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 09:24:14 -0500
From: "Fred \((VE3FAL\))" <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>,
 <qrp-canada@gpfn.sk.ca>
Subject: [162438] TS440SAT and PS50 Power Supply FS
Message-ID: <00ef01c3bc04\$a03b0760\$df05d3d8@flesnick>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Gang:

Not QRP but I do have the following for sale or trade should anyone be interested.

I have a TS440SAT and PS50 power supply for sale...

Rig works, top of case is showing some scratches and sign of age(well, been used what does one expect).

I would like to sell this or trade for a TS140 if anyone is looking at a swap...

Email me directly if interested...

Thanks
Fred
VE3FAL

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 06:57:51 -0800

From: "Lee Hopper" <leehopp@msn.com>
To: <w1rex@megalink.net>,
"Posting to the list QRP-L" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162439] Re: OLD kit announcement.....TT2
Message-ID: <BAY4-DAV72rblZz02H60000a265@hotmail.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

There once was a young man named Rex
Who's radio could only Tx
He found the receive
Rather easy to achieve
>From the fillings he had in his teeth.

..we'll stop when you move to another town!

73 -

Lee Hopper, NB7F
Portland, OR

----- Original Message -----

Rex Harper, W1REX wrote:

>
> ...The Tuna Tin 2 kit is \$15.00 with \$3.00 postage to US & Canada (others
> please Email)
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>
> Rex Harper W1REX
> QRPme
> P.O. Box 160
> Limerick, Maine 04048

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 10:30:25 -0500
From: "Tom" <kf4yyd@adelphia.net>
To: "qrp-l" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162440] Elmer 160 Next step
Message-ID: <EIEBLEILGEEGMLHGH0AGGEPCCPAA.kf4yyd@adelphia.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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73, de Tom kf4yyd Fredericksburg Virginia

SW-40+/ZM-2/E1 Cheapo Straight Key
IDHACWID* QRP Club #1

*I Don't Have A Clue What I'm Doing

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 09:31:05 -0600
From: "Mike Duke, K5XU" <k5xu@jam.rr.com>
To: "qrp list" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162441] Wall Wart Cords
Message-ID: <000d01c3bc0f\$ea600b00\$83d0a418@jam.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
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Radio Shack also had one or two models. I don't know if they still carry them.

Mike Duke, K5XU
American Council of Blind Radio Amateurs

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 11:06:26 -0500
From: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Cc: <kf4yyd@adelphia.net>
Subject: [162442] Re: Elmer 160 Next step
Message-ID: <009d01c3bc12\$e7653a30\$090044c0@BrianBoru>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"

Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

The next lesson is due this weekend, however, the web master might not be able to get it on the site right away. We plan to put up a lesson each weekend, with the possible exception of the weekend before Christmas. If it looks like some folks have trouble keeping up, we'll skip that one so that family duties don't make it harder.

Lesson 3 is a pretty simple one, but 4 and 5 will take a bit more time. If folks have no trouble with 4 and 5, then we will continue the once a week without a break.

72/73 de WB8RCR <http://www.qsl.net/wb8rcr>
didileydadidah QRP-L #1446 Code Warriors #35

----- Original Message -----

From: "Tom" <kf4yyd@adelphia.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 10:30 AM
Subject: Elmer 160 Next step

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Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 11:07:45 -0500
From: "W. Keith Hibbert" <wkhibbert@frontiernet.net>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu

Subject: [162443] New Altoids Tin
Message-ID: <5.1.0.14.0.20031206110035.009e9b80@pop3.frontiernet.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

For all of my fellow QRP-L'ers who just CAN'T look at an Altoid tin without trying to figure what project will fit within, there's a new player on the block

Altoids Gum

The tin is 1 3/8" x 3 1/2" with a slightly domed top and concave bottom. The bottom section is 5/8" deep at the outer edges. The corners are rounded. Oh yeah, the gum really KICS! If you have a cold, this stuff will drain your sinuses in seconds!

Mounting a board will be interesting but not impossible.

I picked mine up at the local Wal mart and Wegmans and Tops supermarkets also carry the gum.

73. Keith, WB2VU0, Trustee of the NQ2RP/B 10-Meter Beacon
28.2873 MHz on Your Radio Dial - 24/7

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 10:21:13 -0600
From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162444] Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <001301c3bc14\$f81688a0\$fc98ee42@andy>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

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So do we fight to keep 7.040 (yeah, I know--it isn't really ours by birthright) or do we let rude jerks drive us off to another frequency? Any opinions out there? I may start spending more time in the Extra subband, which is where those QRO Phone People probably want to drive us to anyway.

Somewhat miffed, and sorry in advance for any offense given,
Andy N1KSN
Menasha, WI

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 11:22:46 -0500
From: "Fred \ (VE3FAL\)" <flesnick@tbaytel.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>,
<qrp-canada@gpfn.sk.ca>
Subject: [162445] 160 meter test
Message-ID: <011901c3bc15\$2faabe80\$df05d3d8@flesnick>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="us-ascii"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Played only for about 1 hour total so far on 160 test, worked 17
stations.
Will play a bit tonight after I get home, had a xmas party last night
and one tonight...
Look for some of you folks on 160, it is a great band and be surprised
at the contacts you can make.
Running 5 watts from FT817 into 160 meter dipole.
Fred
VE3FAL

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 09:45:57 -0700
From: "James R. Duffey" <JamesDuffey@comcast.net>
To: <w5yr@att.net>
Cc: QRP-L <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162446] Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
Message-ID: <BBF755D4.FFE1%JamesDuffey@comcast.net>
Mime-version: 1.0
Content-type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"
Content-transfer-encoding: 7bit

George - That is a very nice simple balun made from easily obtainable parts.
Congratulations on the design and, more importantly, making it available to
all.

I am curious if you have measured the choking impedance it presents to the antenna? Also, have you measured the loss using Witt's antenna tuner technique?

I ask these questions for two reasons:

1. No offense, but your's seems to be a bit shorter than most. The W2DU bead balun shown in the Antenna Book is 9.5 inches long for example, and N6BV's in the same book is 12 inches long. I know that W8JI and others (Bill Coleman on this list) have recommended even longer bead lengths at times. Unlike other hobbies, size can matter in antennas and baluns. :^)

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Have you run the balun at higher than QRP powers? If so does it get warm?

Again, nice design and thanks for sharing it. - Dr. Megacycle KK6MC/5

James R. Duffey KK6MC/5
Cedar Crest NM 87009 DM65

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 12:40:01 -0500
From: Steve.Lawrence@ITWFEG.COM
To: "John J. McDonough" <wb8rcr@arrl.net>
Cc: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162447] Re: [Elmer160] C compilers
Message-ID: <0FC741F0E5.194F51FA-0N85256DF4.006084EB-85256DF4.00610AB9@itwfeg.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="US-ASCII"

Curious bit of news I dug up... For real?
73,
Steve
aa8af
;-)

Creators Admit Unix and C Language Hoax

In an announcement that stunned the computer industry, Ken Thompson, Dennis Ritchie and Brian Kernighan admitted the Unix operating system and

C programming language created by them is an elaborate prank, kept alive over 20 years. Speaking at the recent UnixWorld Software Development Forum, Thompson revealed the following:

"In 1969, AT&T had just terminated their work with the GE/Honeywell/AT&T Multics project. Brian and I had started work with an early release of Pascal from Professor Niklaus Wirth's ETH labs in Switzerland and we were impressed with its elegant simplicity and power. Dennis had just finished reading 'Bored of the Rings', a National Lampoon parody of the Tolkien's 'Lord of the Rings' trilogy.

As a lark, we decided to do parodies of the Multics environment and Pascal. Dennis and I were responsible for the operating environment. We looked at Multics and designed the new OS to be as complex and cryptic as possible to maximize casual users' frustration levels, calling it Unix as a parody of Multics, as well as other more risqué allusions. We sold the terse command language to novitiates by telling them that it saved them typing."

Then Dennis and Brian worked on a warped version of Pascal, called 'A'. 'A' looked a lot like Pascal, but elevated the notion of the direct memory address (which Wirth had banished) to the central concept of the language. This was Dennis's contribution, and he in fact coined the term "pointer" as an innocuous sounding name for a truly malevolent construct.

Brian must be credited with the idea of having absolutely no standard I/O specification: this ensured that at least 50% of the typical commercial program would have to be recoded when changing hardware platforms. Brian was also responsible for pitching this lack of I/O as a feature: it allowed us to describe the language as "truly portable".

When we found others were actually creating real programs with A, we removed compulsory type-checking on function arguments. Later, we added a notion we called "casting": this allowed the programmer to treat an integer as though it were a 50k user-defined structure. When we found that some programmers were simply not using pointers, we eliminated the ability to pass structures to functions, enforcing their use in even the simplest applications.

We sold this, and many other features, as enhancements to the efficiency of the language. In this way, our prank evolved into B, BCPL, and finally C. We stopped when we got a clean compile on the following syntax:

```
for (;P("\n"),R-;P("|"))for(e=3DC;e-;P("_" + (*u++/8)%2))P("|" + (*u/4)%2);
```

At one time, we joked about selling this to the Soviets to set their computer science progress back 20 or more years. Unfortunately, AT&T and other US corporations actually began using Unix and C. We decided we'd

better keep mum, assuming it was just a passing phase. In fact, it's taken US companies over 20 years to develop enough expertise to generate useful applications using this 1960's technological parody.

We are impressed with the tenacity of the general Unix and C programmer. In fact, Brian, Dennis and I have never ourselves attempted to write a commercial application in this environment. We feel really guilty about the chaos, confusion and truly awesome programming projects that have resulted from our silly prank so long ago."

Dennis Ritchie said: "What really tore it (just when AIDA was catching on), was that Bjarne Stroustrup caught onto our joke. He extended it to further parody, Smalltalk. Like us, he was caught by surprise when nobody laughed. So he added multiple inheritance, virtual base classes, and later ... templates. All to no avail. So we now have compilers that can compile 100,000 lines per second, but need to process header files for 25 minutes before they get to the meat of "Hello, World".

Major Unix and C vendors and customers, including AT&T, Microsoft, Hewlett-Packard, GTE, NCR, and DEC have refused to comment on the announcement. Officials of Borland International, a leading vendor of object-oriented tools, including Turbo Pascal and Borland C++, stated they suspected this for a couple of years.

In fact, the notoriously late Quattro Pro for Windows was originally written in C++. Borland CEO Del Yocam said: "I'm told that, after two and a half years of programming, and massive programmer burn-out, we recoded the whole thing in Turbo Pascal in three months. It's fair to say that Turbo Pascal saved our bacon back then". Another Borland spokesman said that they would continue to enhance their Pascal products, and halt further efforts to develop C/C++.

Professor Wirth of the ETH institute and father of the Pascal, Modula 2 and Oberon structured languages, cryptically said "P.T. Barnum was right." He had no further comments.

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 11:25:11 -0700
From: Dave Fuller <rfcdma@spinn.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162448] Fwd: Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
Message-ID: <5.1.1.5.2.20031206112327.0243f830@mail.spinn.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

If either of your guys want to test some baluns I have a network analyzer

available.

Dave WD7Z

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>James R. Duffey KK6MC/5

>Cedar Crest NM 87009 DM65

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 18:41:21 +0000
From: M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>
To: Andy Palm <acpalm@concentric.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162449] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <20031206184121.A12646@pull.privacy.nb.ca>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

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I will note that there is no legal subbands in Canada, the band plan is voluntary, and normally is observed. From time to time any ham can make a mistake or be unaware of all the rules, band plans, etc and the best way to co-operate with these operators is a friendly "hi, this frequency range is normally CW, and around 7.040 is normally used for QRP CW, could you please QSY into the suggested SSB frequency range? Better chance of a SSB contact there."

The band plans work based upon polite co-operation, and it a polite request is far more effective than a comment like "rude jerks". Of course you might find one of the 0.1% of hams that really are rude or trying to be a jerk, but other other 99.9% will gladly work together to keep ham radio fun.

-ve3tix

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 11:46:25 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162450] FOX: K5DI Final Log
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312061145070.4696-1000000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

Log of Karl K5DI, Low Fox on December 2 evening. Things were fine until the flare hit the earth.

Please send me any errors you would like corrected. I have been Fox 2 times last year and I do make a lot of errors. Sorry.

Here is a much corrected log. Please check that my corrections are correct.

Time	Call	Report	
0202	N9NE	559 WI TODD	5W
0205	W5TB	559 TX DOC	5W

0206	N1FN	559 CO ET	5W
0207	KL7V	559 OK SAM	5W
0208	N0UR	579 MN JIM	5W
0209	K5JHP	559 TX BILL	5W
0210	KT5V	559 TX DAVID	5W
0211	K3PH	559 PA BOB	5W
0212	K50I	559 OK TIM	5W
0213	W9XU	559 WI LON	5W
0214	W5YR	559 TX GEORGE	5W
0215	N0EA	559 MO WAYNE	5W
0216	W9XT	559 WI GARY	5W
0217	KI0II	559 CO RON	5W
0218	N0DT	559 MO DAN	5W
0219	WA9TZE	559 WI JIM	5W
0220	N0TK	559 CO DAN	5W
0221	W0CH	559 MO DAVE	5W
0222	AC5JH	559 OK TOM	5W
0225	N4ROA	559 VA DAN	5W
0226	N9AU	559 WI RON	5W
0227	K3ESE	559 MD LLOYD	5W
0229	W0UFO	559 MN MERT	5W
0230	WB8YYY	559 MD CURT	5W
0231	K5EOD	559 LA WAYNE	5W
0232	K2ZN	559 NY AL	5W
0233	NK6A	559 CA DON	5W
0235	N0JRN	559 MO JERRY	5W
0236	AA50	559 LA VERN	5W
0237	N1TP	559 FL TOM	5W
0238	AJ4AY	559 AL JAY	5W
0239	K6VNX	559 CA ARLEN	5W
0242	N9AW	559 WI JERRY	5W
0244	K6XR	559 CA REGGIE	5W
0245	KD5UDB	559 LA CHRIS	5W
0246	N3GOV	559 MD STEVE	5W
0247	N9KW	559 IL JOHN	5W
0248	N4DD	559 TN DENNIS	5W
0251	W4FOA	579 GA TONY	5W
0252	N5IB	559 LA JIM	5W
0254	N3BJ	559 VA ALAN	3W
0255	K9IS	559 WI STEVE	5W
0300	KB9YIG	559 IN TONY	2W
0307	AF4PP	559 GA CHUCK	5W
0308	AG4PJ	559 AL DAVE	5W
0310	NV4V	559 KY PETE	5W
0312	K9NX	559 IND TIM	5W
0320	KB8BHG	559 WV LEE	5W
0324	WA8BXN	559 OH MIKE	5W
0325	AG0T	559 ND TODD	5W

0336	K7TQ	559 ID RANDY	5W	
0340	NK9G	559 WI RICK	5W	
0341	KD5UDB	559 LA CHRIS	5W	DUPE
0344	WA9TZE	559 WI JIM	5W	DUPE
0345	AB9CA	559 AL DAVE	5W	
0347	W9HL	559 IL RANDY	5W	
0348	K9DI	559 IL WAYNE	5W	
0400	KV2X TOM	FOX		
0400	K5DI KARL	FOX		

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces,NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 14:57:43 -0400
 From: "Laurie Landry" <landr@nbnet.nb.ca>
 To: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>,
 "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
 Subject: [162451] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
 Message-ID: <008c01c3bc2a\$d4fb6780\$d228a50a@nbtel.net>
 MIME-Version: 1.0
 Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
 Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Andy,

Yes it's very unpleasant when someone starts squawking on top of you. But it's also very informational to listen across the bands to learn from what country most of the "rude jerks" come from. A good place to start listening is on the 20m. band.

Laurie, VE1AWJ

----- Original Message -----

From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
 To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
 Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 12:21 PM
 Subject: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?

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 > darn Canadian SSB ops who are moving in just above 7.040. I was having a

> most pleasant chat in the evening on 7.043 with a ham on Long Island when
an
> SSB op jumped in and started squawking on top of us. They are starting to
> act like they own the joint.
>
> So do we fight to keep 7.040 (yeah, I know--it isn't really ours by
> birthright) or do we let rude jerks drive us off to another frequency?
Any
> opinions out there? I may start spending more time in the Extra subband,
> which is where those QRO Phone People probably want to drive us to anyway.
>
> Somewhat miffed, and sorry in advance for any offense given,
> Andy N1KSN
> Menasha, WI
>
>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 14:21:16 -0500
From: "Armin Hachmer" <armin@muskoka.com>
To: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162452] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <002c01c3bc2e\$1f3e4d00\$776c7bd8@muskoka.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hey Andy, you sound supermiffed.
Sometimes on 7.055 which is where a Canadian SSB net is on all day, a CW
station comes on and makes things fun.

My guess iss they can not hear the SSB

When i operate CW mobile with a Icom 706, i am often blasted by another CW
coming on with QRL?
and no matter what i reply, away he goes. Again i think he does not hear me
with his filters on. The problem for me is...i aint got no filters on the
706.

Armin VE3TEQ

----- Original Message -----

From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 11:21 AM

Subject: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?

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Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 12:23:06 -0700
From: "KXBill" <KXB-1@cox.net>
To: <femens@hiwaay.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162453] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
Message-ID: <002701c3bc2e\$6048b100\$76d70344@ph.cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Another approach would be to pick up some short extension cords at your
local 99 cent store. Cut them to the length desired and reconnect. Now you
will have three for one.

Cheers too all

Bill_w7kxb__.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Frank Emens" <femens@hiwaay.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 06:26
Subject: Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma

> Check Jameco's catalog. They have short 12" extensions and they also have double
> extensions that will allow connecting 2 wall-warts to one position on an outlet strip.
> Real lifesavers these days when almost everything has its own wall-wart.
> --
> Frank Emens
> femens@hiwaay.net
> Huntsville, Alabama
>

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 19:31:27 +0000
From: "Tom Dufresne" <tdufres@hotmail.com>
To: qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162454] Inductor coils and things
Message-ID: <BAY1-F36Xee4fDGCl9F0000eb9c@hotmail.com>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed

Folks;
I need a slug tuned coil. It has to be "nominally 4.5 uH" Apparently the coil I was using was significantly larger than that. (5mH...Hmmm...)
I can get the slugged coil form from Antique Electrical supply or even Ocean State. Here's a link for visuals..
<http://www.tubesandmore.com/images/inv/P-C210.GIF>
This is very close to what looks to be the right coil. I think JW Miller made 'em a few decades(?) ago.
So, how to figure the amount of windings?
Harry from Harry's Homebrew mentions a rough formula that uses the same windings as per the number of meters in the desired signal range. So for 40 meters it would be 40, etc. Can it be that easy? I thought I had to know lots of other numbers.....diameter, wire size, etc.
Help please!
Thanks in advance for any an all help...

PS: Yes I have read and looked at my manuals. Yes I have asked other hams. Yes I have actually researched this on the net. Most formulae I have found look like they are for crystal set main coils or something, so please no FLAMES!!!
(sheepish grin)
Thanks!
Tom

>From: M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>
>Reply-To: mctylr@privacy.nb.ca
>To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
>Subject: Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
>Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 18:41:21 +0000
>
>On Sat, Dec 06, 2003 at 10:21:13AM -0600, Andy Palm wrote:
> > An earlier message noted RTTY on 7.040. I'm even more concerned about
> those
> > darn Canadian SSB ops who are moving in just above 7.040. I was having
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> > most pleasant chat in the evening on 7.043 with a ham on Long Island
> when an
> > SSB op jumped in and started squawking on top of us. They are starting
> to
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> > So do we fight to keep 7.040 (yeah, I know--it isn't really ours by
> > birthright) or do we let rude jerks drive us off to another frequency?
> Any
>
> I will note that there is no legal subbands in Canada, the band plan is
> voluntary, and normally is observed. From time to time any ham can make
> a mistake or be unaware of all the rules, band plans, etc and the best
> way to co-operate with these operators is a friendly "hi, this frequency
> range is normally CW, and around 7.040 is normally used for QRP CW,
> could you please QSY into the suggested SSB frequency range? Better chance
> of a SSB contact there."
>
> The band plans work based upon polite co-operation, and it a polite
> request is far more effective than a comment like "rude jerks". Of course
> you might find one of the 0.1% of hams that really are rude or trying to be
> a jerk, but other other 99.9% will gladly work together to keep ham radio
> fun.
>
> -ve3tix

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<http://clinic.mcafee.com/clinic/ibuy/campaign.asp?cid=3963>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:22:08 -0500
From: "Hudson, Steve (RBI-US RCD)" <sdhudson@reedbusiness.com>
To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162455] Tentec, MFJ need new homes

Message-ID: <A7E30DBD5928D442A7AE9EF215EEE1330555B11C@bincmdgnorexc02.cahners.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"

Some nice Tentec gear need new homes (wedding bills to pay):

1. Delta 580 with Tentec supply. Covers 160-10 but needs accessory crystals to cover 17 and 12. Front panel power control down to less than a watt. Beautiful condition, works like a champ. With manuals. \$300.
2. Century 22. It includes the Tentec calibrator and keyer options. Beautiful condition, works great. Also includes the matching Tentec power supply. Covers 80-40-30-20-15-10. CW only. Power front-panel adjustable down to zero. \$250.
- 3) Tentec Model 604 keyer. The one with the built-in magnetic paddle. Works fine. \$30
- 4) MFJ 20-meter QRP SSB transceiver. With mike. Great condition, works fine. \$150

Plus shipping/ins from 30004.

Thanks,

Steve AA4BW

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 15:23:21 -0500
From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162456] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <3FD23AB9.9010206@pobox.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

> Andy,
> Yes it's very unpleasant when someone starts squawking on top of you. But
> it's also very informational to listen across the bands to learn from what
> country most of the "rude jerks" come from. A good place to start listening
> is on the 20m. band.
>

> Laurie, VE1AWJ
>

There was an old movie based on the premise of a war between the US and Canada. I can't remember the name of it. Looks like we are heading that way.

Let's keep peaceful folks. We need good relations with Canada. We might need a place for our draft-dodgers to go again sometime in the future. And where are my fellow seniors going to find cheap prescriptions?

John W2AGN

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:23:04 -0500
From: "Brad Hedges" <bhedges@nc.rr.com>
To: <ewilson@nccn.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162457] Re: paddle choice
Message-ID: <004701c3bc36\$c1760920\$e8272118@nc.rr.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Here's a link to Palm's page at Morse Express. I really like the look of the Palm Paddles and *plan* to get a set, but don't have any and haven't used any, only read reports that they are pretty good paddles.

73,
K0BHC

<http://mtechnologies.com/palm/>

----- Original Message -----
From: "Elda & Doug Wilson" <ewilson@nccn.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Friday, December 05, 2003 7:43 PM
Subject: paddle choice

> I have not seen the Paddlette or Palm paddles and I can't find a web
> site for the Palm paddle. I'm hoping I can get some feedback from some
> of you that have used them.
>
> I want to use it portable (on a table) and in my Van (parked).

>
> I don't want to limit comments to those two paddle. Any help will be
> appreciated. I would like to get something for \$100 bucks or less.
>
> 73, etc.
>
> Doug, k 6 r p n
> retired public nuisance
>
>
>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 16:03:08 -0500
From: Rick McKee <kc8aon@juno.com>
To: mqfd@smartgroups.com, fpqrp-l@fpqrp.com, qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162458] MicroVert Group
Message-ID: <20031206.160320.9526.0.kc8aon@juno.com>

Hey Folks !

Looks like Bob has reopened his MicroVert group with Smartgroups ! The URL is: <http://www.smartgroups.com/groups/MicroVert/>

The MicroVert is a small but efficient antenna, and I plan on building one for 30 meters as soon as the holiday rush is over, plus I have to be out of town the week of the 15th ! The 30 meter version uses a radiator that is only 18.30 inches long, so it would be great for antenna restricted neighborhoods and as a travel antenna or for a quick field day setup !

Bob has put a lot of work into figureing out this little animal, and his desire is to help get hams on the air that are living in antenna restricted areas ! So, if you like to tinker with antennas, check out the MicroVert group and do what you can as far as building, testing, and then posting the info for everyones benefit.

72/73 de: Rick McKee, KC8AON <> Willow Wood, Ohio <> Grid: EM88rl
SW-20+, SW-30+, SW-40+, Norcal BLT, Yaesu FT-7, Homebrew 6V6 tube TX
QRP-L #2112, FPqrp #33, AR QRP, AmQRP, Ohio Valley Fists, Zombie #718,
MQFD #1
For info on MQFD, go to: <http://www.smartgroups.com/groups/mqfd>
I'll give up CW & QRP when I'm dead ! MAYBE ! didididadidah

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Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:18:17 -0600
From: George Fremin III <geoiiii@kkn.net>
To: qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162459] Re: Balun Ferrite Bead Information
Message-ID: <20031206211817.GA20776@kkn.net>
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Disposition: inline

On Sat, Dec 06, 2003 at 09:45:57AM -0700, James R. Duffey wrote:
> George - That is a very nice simple balun made from easily obtainable parts.
> Congratulations on the design and, more importantly, making it available to
> all.
>

This is very much like what I use.
I just slide the beads over my RG-213 coax at the feedpoint.

I do run 1.5 kw through these.
So 77 (gets hot) vs. 43 is important.

Here are the details from W0UN.

> FB-43-1020 from Amidon 1.0" dia, 1.12" long, 0.50" hole
>
> Don't use the 77 version--it looks better on paper (higher mu)
> but gets hot. 8 beads will get you from 10-60 MHz. And probably
> OK to 7 MHz--but I would use 10 or 12 on 7 MHz to be safe
> and probably 15 or so to be sure on 80M. Haven't run any tests
> on 160 yet so I don't know the right answer. And I am
> doing this from memory--the testing I did (with an HP-4195
> network/spectrum analyzer) was done 6 or 7 years ago
> and the notes are packed up somewhere. Just go with 8 or
> so for tribanders and a few more for 40M antennas.
>
> www.amidoncorp.com
>
> or through www.bytemark.com (direct to Amidon is better)
>
> Price is about \$2 a bead in small quantities.
>

> I don't use connectors--either just slip the beads in some giant
> heat shrink and run the coax through--or I cover it with
> PVC pipe. Connectors just add reliability issues--and since
> you will probably be using lugs on the end of the coax
> (for a split driven element) there is no need. Of course it
> all depends on what you are hooking things to.
>
> Basically \$16 for a balun that works very well through the
> high-bands.
>
> JB

--

George Fremin III - K5TR
geoiiii@kkn.net
<http://www.kkn.net/~k5tr>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:19:47 -0600
From: Wayne Rogers <w5kdj@juno.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.EDU
Subject: [162460] SW20+
Message-ID: <20031206.151947.-1711949.0.w5kdj@juno.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

SW-20+ and enclosure both unbuilt and in packages as received. \$85.00

built: \$100.00

shipping included.

Wayne_W5KDJ
ex: SV0WWW_TF2WJN CW only
ARS_1392 ARCI_11325 FP-626 e-QSL
FISTS_10060 SOC_538 HQRP ARRL

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 14:26:47 -0700
From: KJ7UN <kj7un@kj7un.com>
To: femens@hiwaay.net,

Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162461] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
Message-ID: <oprzr26xmeci47zn@mail.kj7un.com>
Content-Type: text/plain; format=flowed; charset=iso-8859-15
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 8bit

They have them at www.cyberguys.com.

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73 de KJ7UN

On Sat, 06 Dec 2003 07:26:59 -0600, Frank Emens <femens@hiwaay.net> wrote:

> Check Jameco's catalog. They have short 12" extensions and they also
> have double
> extensions that will allow connecting 2 wall-warts to one position on an
> outlet strip.
> Real lifesavers these days when almost everything has its own wall-wart.

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 14:35:32 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>
To: Andy Palm <acpalm@concentric.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162462] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312061432250.4696-1000000@bucket.dog>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Sat, 6 Dec 2003, Andy Palm wrote:

> An earlier message noted RTTY on 7.040. I'm even more concerned about those
> darn Canadian SSB ops who are moving in just above 7.040. I was having a

For years we have had non-ham ssb interference on 7040 from the Mexican Farm and Ranch Network. I speak spanish and it's fun to listen to a young boy and girl planning to meet again when both are going to be in town....:-)

>

> Somewhat miffed, and sorry in advance for any offense given,

> Andy N1KSN
> Menasha, WI
>
>
>

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 13:37:32 -0800
From: "Bill Jones" <kd7s@psnw.com>
To: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162463] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <001d01c3bc41\$28973480\$9434bbd0@RadioRoom>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Hi Andy,

The topic of changing the 40 meter calling frequency is a common thread here. It seems to show up once or twice every year. If nothing else, I've learned the following:

1. There is no better place than 7.040 MHz as a QRP calling frequency
2. There is no worse place than 7.040 MHz as a QRP calling frequency
3. If you get clobbered while on 7.040 MHz, move somewhere else.

=====
Bill Jones KD7S <><
<http://www.psnw.com/~kd7s>
Sanger, California
=====

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 16:45:54 -0500 (EST)
From: <ah7i@atl.org>
To: DTX <dtx@wood.tzo.com>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162464] Re: "ET phone home" ?
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.33.0312061644110.6463-1000000@localhost.localdomain>

MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

these days it's blue-green laser from a satellite ...

isn't everything below 7kHz unallocated (fair game)?

-bob

On Tue, 2 Dec 2003, DTX wrote:

> ELF as in 300 to 3000 Hz? Even so, to my knowledge the ears do not hear
> electromagnetic radiation no matter how low the frequency. Perhaps being in
> the "near field" of a 200KW transmitter feeding an antenna at 3kHz might
> cause physiological effects, i.e. a throbbing sensation in the head ;-)

>

> I did not see that show, but a few nights ago I did see a History Channel
> program that described the Looking Glass airborne SAC command center. They
> fed 200KW to a trailing antenna 5 MILES long. Said they flew in a tight
> circle so the antenna would droop to the vertical as much as possible.
> Hmmm, not sure I'd want to do that<G>. It's purpose was to send launch
> codes to submerged submarines.

>

> Gary WA6DTX

> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Armin Hachmer" <armin@muskoka.com>

> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>

> Sent: Tuesday, December 02, 2003 12:23 PM

> Subject: "ET phone home" ?

>

>

> > chatter at the coffee shop this morning was all about a TV program last
> > night on Unsolved Mysteries.

> >

> > ELF ..extremely low frequency used by the military to communicate over
> > great distances (i am quoting this, did not see it myself) is audible to
> > some human ears.

> >

> > hm... it is supposed to sound like a
> > big diesel truck laboring up a distant hill.

> >

> > Has anyone seen the program and can tell me more?

> >

> > Curious Armin VE3TEQ

> >

> >

>
>

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:56:04 -0600
From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
To: <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162465] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <000301c3bc43\$bfbbea20\$9d98ee42@andy>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Guys, guys. Not intended as a slam of Canadian hams! I don't fancy myself a cultural imperialist or anything. Sorry if I gave offense. I should have left the national reference off. Interestingly, no one has yet taken offense at "QRO Phone People," also an unfair and inconsiderate categorization (for which I also apologize in advance--hey, I own a few microphones).

This particular guy WAS rude and acted like he owned the frequency. I bend over backwards to be polite on the air, and did nothing to this guy. Sorry, but I had to vent a bit. Sorry to take up your bandwidth with it.

Anyway, considering how things seem to be going on 40 meters in the vicinity of 7.040, should the QRP calling frequency be moved? I'm still interested in opinions in this matter.

Not super-miffed--just not happy with being stomped on,
Andy N1KSN

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:58:25 -0600
From: "Jim Sheldon" <w0eb@cox.net>
To: "QRP-L Mailing List" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162466] SW30+ SW80+ Built -
Message-ID: <IBEGLCMLCDHHEFLBPHBOGEEFCPAA.w0eb@cox.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
 charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

SW30+, SW80+ Both Built and in the SWL enclosures. Both in excellent condition. \$80 each, shipping included.

First come, first served.

Please reply off list.

Jim - W0EB
w0eb@cox.net

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 17:20:43 -0500 (EST)
From: Thom LaCosta <baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com>
To: M Taylor <mctylr@privacy.nb.ca>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162467] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <20031206171855.S93142-1000000@unix1.vhost.min.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: TEXT/PLAIN; charset=US-ASCII

On Sat, 6 Dec 2003, M Taylor wrote:

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> range is normally CW, and around 7.040 is normally used for QRP CW,
> could you please QSY into the suggested SSB frequency range? Better chance
> of a SSB contact there."

Sounds like a gentlemanly approach....but if they aren't
listening/prepared for that message in CW, I'd have to violate
the terms of my US license to tell them.

Thom

baltimoremd@baltimoremd.com
<http://www.baltimoremd.com/>
<http://www.baltimorehon.com/>
<http://www.zerobeat.net>
<http://www.tlchost.net>

Thom LaCosta K3HRN Webmaster
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Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 17:14:53 -0500

From: "Mike Yetsko" <myetsko@insydesw.com>
To: <cprstn54@att.net>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162468] Re: Solving the wall wart dilemma
Message-ID: <008001c3bc46\$83a706c0\$0200a8c0@charter.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="iso-8859-1"
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Radio Shack has them for '2-wire'. I have about 3 or 4 here. Cheap enough, but so are generic extension cords. I think you save \$.50 over a regular 6 cord.

Thing is, they are nice to have...

Mike

----- Original Message -----

From: "Kenneth Cooperstein" <cprstn54@att.net>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 7:31 AM
Subject: Solving the wall wart dilemma

> I have seen an inexpensive product consisting of six (I think) very
> short (under 1 ft.) extension cords that let you put a wall wart on
> every outlet of a convenience strip. It was far less expensive than
DIY.
>
> Only thing is, I can't remember what catalog I saw it in. Anyone know?
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> Ken KC2JDY
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Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 17:19:07 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: Andy Palm <acpalm@concentric.net>
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-1@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162469] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <3FD255DB.11C02460@erols.com>

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Andy, Andy, Andy,

For the 10 millionth time, NO ONE OWNS ANY FREQUENCY, Period. The ham bands i this country, and mostly ONLY in this country have sub-bands. The only criteria for these sub-bands is whether you are using SSB or not. You can use CW anywhere the ban is legal (note, except for the new 60 meter band).

Other countries have their own rules. In many countries 40 meters is a much smaller band than we have. They develop their "sub-bands" by consensual agreement among THEMSELVES. Their rules have no effect on us as ours have no effect on them.

The whole mess is co-ordinated by the ITU and individual national radio clubs like the ARRL. They are human and occasionally make mistakes. One such mistake was not specifying a "preferred frequency" for QRP internationally.

Now what about your problem. First of all not every station you hear can hear you. For one case you may be using considerably less power than he is. The result is "one way hearing". Second he may be operating within the rules of HIS country. You really don't have a leg to stand on in this case.

What should you do. Try QRL first. This is the universal symbol for thus frequency is in use. If he can't hear you, twit the VFO knob and find another frequency that is less crowded. Surprisingly, QRP works everywhere not just on 7040. In fact 7040 is called a calling frequency, a frequency where you can find others who are interested in the same things you are. After making contact you are supposed to move to another frequency to have the QS0.

Bruce

Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 17:33:40 -0500
From: Bruce Muscolino <w6toy@erols.com>
To: jsielke@pobox.com
Cc: Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion <qrp-l@lehigh.edu>
Subject: [162470] Re: "Pride Goeth Before a Fall..."
Message-ID: <3FD25944.CF171406@erols.com>
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John,

I seriously doubt pride had much to do with your antenna failure. It would have to of heard you bragging about, And been mad at you to boot.

Your experience with the garage roof may show some conflict between you and the antenna, one that has been festering for the last two years. But I think that this time may have the last straw where the antenna was concerned for other reasons.

On the next 50+ degree day I would look carefully at both the attaching points and the wire. It may have failed due to the attachment points or the wire may have failed. I'd bet the attachments failed.

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Date: Sat, 06 Dec 2003 17:42:48 -0500
From: John Sielke <jsielke@pobox.com>
To: qrp-l@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162471] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <3FD25B68.8000707@pobox.com>
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> Guys, guys. Not intended as a slam of Canadian hams! I don't fancy myself
> a cultural imperialist or anything. Sorry if I gave offense. I should have
> left the national reference off.

Sorry, Andy, it is too late. I have it on good authority that you are cut off from Moosehead Beer for life!

(One of Canada's two greatest exports, the other being Hockey players).

John W2AGN

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 15:54:55 -0700 (MST)
From: Karl Larsen <k5di@zianet.com>

To: qrp-1@lehigh.edu
Subject: [162472] ScQRPion Paddle #10 works!
Message-ID: <Pine.LNX.4.44.0312061547520.4696-100000@bucket.dog>
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I made a contact, the first with the new paddle and it works fine! It is a two hand paddle because the return spring I found in the hardware store is too tight. But I have it set for very close spacing between the contact points and it seems to hold the setting fine.

It's an iambic paddle and it works just like my Bencher paddle in that regard. It is very pretty with all that brass. And the silver plated contact screws shine like they should too. Now to see how long it will play and stay pretty.

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- Karl Larsen k5di Las Cruces, NM Az ScQRPions -

Date: Sat, 6 Dec 2003 17:58:08 -0800
From: "Jade's Technical Services" <kw3u@warwick.net>
To: <landr@nbnet.nb.ca>,
"Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-1@Lehigh.EDU>
Subject: [162473] Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?
Message-ID: <005701c3bc65\$91539a80\$31a206d8@f5b712>
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I have to agree that Andy is way off base using such comments; perhaps when emotional some should type the message and save in drafts, and reread later b4 sending.

I operate quite a bit on the 80m novice area in the evenings around 3700-3740 and have a ball working slow speeders and ragchews with the vintage equipment ops and that area also has Canadian SSB as well. Never a problem to qsy up or down, and during low cw activity, they are a pleasure to listen too, interesting and always polite, hope no one allows the US 75m bunch to get on those freqs and ruin them.

Jim kw3u

----- Original Message -----

From: "Laurie Landry" <landr@nbnet.nb.ca>
To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 10:57 AM
Subject: Re: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?

> Andy,
> Yes it's very unpleasant when someone starts squawking on top of you.
But
> it's also very informational to listen across the bands to learn from what
> country most of the "rude jerks" come from. A good place to start
listening
> is on the 20m. band.

> Laurie, VE1AWJ

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> ----- Original Message -----

> From: "Andy Palm" <acpalm@concentric.net>
> To: "Low Power Amateur Radio Discussion" <qrp-l@Lehigh.EDU>
> Sent: Saturday, December 06, 2003 12:21 PM
> Subject: Changing the 40m QRP frequency?

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> > An earlier message noted RTTY on 7.040. I'm even more concerned about
> those
> > darn Canadian SSB ops who are moving in just above 7.040. I was having
a
> > most pleasant chat in the evening on 7.043 with a ham on Long Island
when
> an

> > SSB op jumped in and started squawking on top of us. They are starting
to
> > act like they own the joint.

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> > So do we fight to keep 7.040 (yeah, I know--it isn't really ours by
> > birthright) or do we let rude jerks drive us off to another frequency?

> Any

> > opinions out there? I may start spending more time in the Extra
subband,

> > which is where those QRO Phone People probably want to drive us to
anyway.

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> > Somewhat miffed, and sorry in advance for any offense given,

> > Andy N1KSN

> > Menasha, WI

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End of QRP-L Digest 3126

